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FOR: CHROMONE DERIVATIVES AS MATRIX
METALLOPROTEINASE INHIBITORS*File
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AMENDMENTS AND REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This paper is in response to the Office Action date mailed 09/27/2004 by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (hereinafter the "Office") in the above-referenced application. Applicant respectfully requests the following amendments to be made to the application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.

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which incorporates the definition of "(C₁-C₈ alkylenyl)" provided on line 27 on page 56 though line 2 on page 57; definition of "naphthyl-(C₁-C₈ alkylenyl)" is found at lines 10-13 on page 59, which incorporates both the definition of "(C₁-C₈ alkylenyl)" provided at line 27 on page 56 though line 2 on page 57, and the definition of "naphthyl" provided on line 9 on page 59; and, finally, definition of "cycloalkyl-(C₁-C₈ alkylenyl)" is seen on page 57 at lines 10-13 (for "C₃-C₆ cycloalkyl-(C₁-C₈ alkylenyl)") and lines 19-21 (for "C₅ or C₆ cycloalkyl-(C₁-C₈ alkylenyl)"), both incorporating the definition of "C₁-C₈ alkylenyl" provided at line 27 on page 56 though line 2 on page 57.

For the above reasons, Applicant believes that the rejection to claim 1 as amended, as well as its dependent claims 2, 3, 5-10, and 13-17, should be withdrawn. In addition, new claims 18 and 19 ultimately depend from claim 1. For the same reasons as provided for claim 1 above, Applicant believes that claims 18 and 19 are clear and definite.

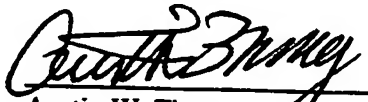
The Examiner also indicates that in claim 10 (page 135) the nomenclature of the two species "benzo[1,3]oxazin-4-one" is incorrect. Applicant, who agrees with the Examiner, wishes to point out that this is a typographical error. Claim 10 has been amended to recite the correct nomenclature "benzo[1,3]oxazin-4-one" as suggested by Examiner.

C. Concluding Remarks

In view of the above amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the application, withdrawal of the rejections, and timely issuance of Notice of Allowance.

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Respectfully submitted,



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